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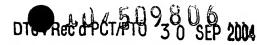
Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R.§1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

Applicant hereby brings attention to the Examiner that the following references were cited in an International Search Report dated June 24, 2003: EP1064845A; DE3615787A1; WO8706951A; WO9426862A; EP0268170A; and DE2701133A. A copy of the International Search Report is



enclosed. Since the International Search Report is in English, no English translation of the listed foreign references is required, pursuant to MPEP §609(A)3.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3)):

DE3615787, WO8706951; WO9426862; EP268170; and DE2701133 are relevant because they were cited as an "X" reference in the International Search Report.

English abstracts are provided for DE3615787 and WO9426862. English correspondents US5021182 and GB1566671 are provided for WO8706951 and DE2701133 respectively.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501257.

Respectfully submitted,

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